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In Re Application of:

Muthiah Manoharan et al.

Confirmation No.: 1044

Application No.: 09/823,031

Group Art Unit: 1635

Filing Date: March 30, 2001

Examiner: Janet L. Epps-Ford

For: LABELED OLIGONUCLEOTIDES, METHODS FOR MAKING SAME, AND
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Sir:

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL PURSUANT
TO 37 CFR § 1.114

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

1. Submission required under 37 CFR § 1.114

 Previously submitted

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 Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR § 1.116 previously filed on *11/5/03* (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).

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Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on

Other:

Enclosed

Amendment/Reply under 37 CFR § 1.116

Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

Other:

2. Miscellaneous

Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR §1.103(c) for a period of months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed three (3) months; Fee under 37 CFR §1.17(i) required)

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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RCE BASIC FILING FEE				\$375.00	\$	\$750.00
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER RCE	HIGHEST NO. PAID FOR	EXTRA			
TOTAL CLAIMS	25	60 (20 MINIMUM)	0	\$9 EACH	\$	\$18 EACH
INDEP. CLAIMS	2	4 (3 MINIMUM)	0	\$42 EACH	\$	\$84 EACH
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT				\$140	\$	\$290
<input type="checkbox"/> ONE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME				\$55	\$	\$110
<input type="checkbox"/> TWO MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME				\$205	\$	\$410
<input type="checkbox"/> THREE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME				\$465	\$	\$930
<input type="checkbox"/> FOUR MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME				\$725	\$	\$1450
<input type="checkbox"/> FIVE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME <small>(May only be taken when filing RCE in lieu of Appeal Brief)</small>				\$985	\$	\$1970
<input type="checkbox"/> LESS ANY EXTENSION FEE ALREADY PAID				minus	(\$)	minus (\$0)
<input type="checkbox"/> TERMINAL DISCLAIMER				\$55	\$	\$110
TOTAL FEE DUE					\$	\$750.00

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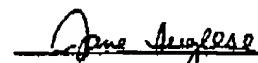
A Notice of Appeal was filed . An Appeal Brief is due on . Applicants are filing this Request for Continued Examination in lieu of this Appeal Brief. Petition is hereby made to extend the time period from to and through comprising an extension of the shortened statutory period of month(s).

The Commissioner is hereby requested to grant an extension of time for the appropriate length of time, should one be necessary, in connection with this filing or any future filing submitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in the above-identified application during the pendency of this application. The Commissioner is further authorized to charge any fees related to any such extension of time to Deposit Account No. 23-3050. This sheet is provided in duplicate.

The Commission is hereby authorized to charge payment of the above fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-3050. This sheet is attached in duplicate.

SHOULD ANY DEFICIENCIES APPEAR with respect to this application, including deficiencies in payment of fees, missing parts of the application or otherwise, the United States Patent and Trademark Office is respectfully requested to promptly notify the undersigned.

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REPLY PURSUANT TO 37 CFR § 1.116

In response to the Official Action dated July 15, 2003, reconsideration is respectfully
requested in view of the amendments and/or remarks as indicated below:

- Amendments to the Specification** begin on page _____ of this paper.
- Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.
- Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page _____ of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet.
- Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 15 of this paper.